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2008 Edition of Nonprofit Resource Book Available

SAN BERNARDINO – The 2008 edition of the “Resource Book for San Bernardino County Nonprofits” is available for free online or on CD, Board of Supervisors Chairman Paul Biane announced on Friday.

The 165-page book is filled with grant opportunities, grant-writing tips, online resources, and other information that can help nonprofit organizations further their goals. This year’s edition includes an expanded list of online resources and networking organizations as well as program evaluation and assessment guides used by the Inland Empire United Way.

“The Inland Empire United Way is an expert at program evaluation, so we partnered with them to share their assessment tools with local nonprofits,” Biane said.

Program evaluation is vital to nonprofits because it allows them to do critical assessments of the services they provide. Government agencies and foundations that provide grant funding often ask for program evaluations from nonprofits seeking support.

Biane began distributing a nonprofit resource booklet in 2003 after hosting his first workshop for local nonprofits. The booklet evolved into the “Resource Book for San Bernardino County Nonprofits” as the Supervisor included more and more useful nonprofit information in subsequent editions.

The document provides details about more than 70 grants from federal, state and foundation sources. Readers will also find chapters on grant writing basics and alternative fundraising strategies. The book includes detailed instructions for eCivis – an online database of more than 4,000 federal, state and foundation grant opportunities. Nonprofit representatives in San Bernardino County can access eCivis for free at any County library.

To download the "Resource Book for San Bernardino County Nonprofits" in PDF format, go to www.sbcounty.gov/Biane. Nonprofit groups can call Supervisor Biane's District Office at (909) 945-4297 to request a copy of the book in PDF format on CD.

In the meantime, Supervisor Biane encourages nonprofit groups to mark Sept. 15 on their calendars so they can attend the 7th annual Nonprofit Resource Seminar at the Rancho Cucamonga Community Center in Rancho Cucamonga. The seminar will feature workshops on topics such as grant writing, fund raising and public relations. Details about the Sept 15 seminar will be available in early July.

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